

14.E: Thermochemistry (Exercises)

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13.5: Calorimetry

Q13.5.1

After going through combustion in a bomb calorimeter a sample gives off 5,435 cal. The calorimeter experiences an increase of 4.27°C in its temperature. Using this information, determine the heat capacity of the calorimeter in kJ/°C.

Q13.5.2

Referring to the example given above about the heat of combustion, calculate the temperature change that would occur in the combustion of 1.732 g $C_{12}H_{22}O_{11}$ in a bomb calorimeter that had the heat capacity of 3.87 kJ/°C.

Q13.5.3

Given the following data calculate the heat of combustion in kJ/mol of xylose, $C_5H_{10}O_5(s)$, used in a bomb calorimetry experiment: mass of $C_5H_{10}O_5(s)$ = 1.250 g, heat capacity of calorimeter = 4.728 kJ/°C, Initial Temperature of the calorimeter = 24.37°C, Final Temperature of calorimeter = 28.29°C.

Q13.5.4

Determine the heat capacity of the bomb calorimeter if 1.714 g of naphthalene, $C_{10}H_8(s)$, experiences an 8.44°C increase in temperature after going through combustion. The heat of combustion of naphthalene is -5156 kJ/mol $C_{10}H_8$.

Q13.5.5

What is the heat capacity of the bomb calorimeter if a 1.232 g sample of benzoic acid causes the temperature to increase by 5.14°C? The heat of combustion of benzoic acid is -26.42 kJ/g.

S13.5.1

Use equation 4 to calculate the heat of capacity:

$$q_{\text{calorimeter}} = \text{heat capacity of calorimeter} \times \Delta T$$

$$5435 \text{ cal} = \text{heat capacity of calorimeter} \times 4.27^\circ\text{C}$$

$$\text{Heat capacity of calorimeter} = (5435 \text{ cal} / 4.27^\circ\text{C}) \times (4.184 \text{ J} / 1 \text{ cal}) \times (1 \text{ kJ} / 1000 \text{ J}) = 5.32 \text{ kJ} / ^\circ\text{C}$$

S13.5.2

The temperature should increase since bomb calorimetry releases heat in an exothermic combustion reaction.

$$\text{Change in Temp} = (1.732 \text{ g } C_{12}H_{22}O_{11}) \times (1 \text{ mol } C_{12}H_{22}O_{11} / 342.3 \text{ g } C_{12}H_{22}O_{11}) \times (6.61 \times 10^3 \text{ kJ} / 1 \text{ mol } C_{12}H_{22}O_{11}) \times (1^\circ\text{C} / 3.87 \text{ kJ}) = 8.64^\circ\text{C}$$

S13.5.3

$$[(\text{Heat Capacity} \times \text{Change in Temperature}) / \text{mass}] = [(4.728 \text{ kJ} / ^\circ\text{C}) \times (28.29^\circ\text{C} - 24.37^\circ\text{C})] / 1.250 \text{ g} = 14.8 \text{ kJ} / \text{g xylose}$$

$$q_{\text{rxn}} = (-14.8 \text{ kJ} / \text{g xylose}) \times (150.13 \text{ g xylose} / 1 \text{ mol xylose}) = -2.22 \times 10^3 \text{ kJ} / \text{mol xylose}$$

S13.5.4

$$\text{Heat Capacity} = [(1.714 \text{ g } C_{10}H_8) \times (1 \text{ mol } C_{10}H_8 / 128.2 \text{ g } C_{10}H_8) \times (5.156 \times 10^3 \text{ kJ} / 1 \text{ mol } C_{10}H_8)] / 8.44^\circ\text{C} = 8.17 \text{ kJ} / ^\circ\text{C}$$

S13.5.5

Heat Capacity = [(1.232 g benzoic acid) x (26.42 kJ/1 g benzoic acid)]/5.14°C = 6.31 kJ/ °C

13.6: Applications of Thermochemistry

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